- 12. (new) A method in accordance with Claim 11, wherein the comparison is carried out within a predefined time window which begins at the beginning of the transmission of the interrogation signal.
  - 13. (new) A method in accordance with Claim 1, wherein the first transmitting and receiving unit additionally compares the frequency (F2) of the interrogation signal with the frequency (F21) of the reply signal.
  - 14. (new) A method in accordance with Claim 13, wherein a check is made by the first transmitting and receiving unit as to whether the carrier frequency is present, without interruption, from the transmission of the interrogation signal until the reception of the reply signal.
  - 15. (new) A method in accordance with Claim 13, wherein the comparison of the amplitude values (A1, A2) and the comparison of the frequencies (F1, F21) is carried out simultaneously with the checking of an identification code.
- 1 16. (new), The use of the method in accordance with Claim 1, for
  2 detecting unauthorized redirection of an authentication
  3 process employed in motor vehicles.

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